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METHOD, SYSTEM, AND PROGRAM FOR PROVIDING USER LOCATION INFORMATION FOR A PERSONAL INFORMATION

MANAGEMENT SYSTEM FROM TRANSMITTING DEVICES

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<u>AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL</u>

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the final office action dated August 10, 2004 ("Final Office Action"), in which the Examiner rejected pending claims 1-4, 10, 13-16, 22, 25-28, and 34 as anticipated (35 U.S.C. §102) and found that claims 5-9, 11, 12, 17-21, 23, 24, 29-33, 35, and 36 would be allowed if rewritten in independent form including the requirements of the base and intervening claims. On October 5th, the attorney for Applicants and the Examiner held a phone interview. During the interview, the Examiner said he would also allow claims 2, 14, and 26 and said he had intended to allow these claims. Applicants have rewritten many of the allowable claims into independent form and canceled claims 2, 14, and 26, whose limitations were added to claims 1, 13, and 25 to place pending claims 1, 3-13, 15-25, and 27-36 in condition for allowance.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2. Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9.

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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

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Applicants amended claims 1, 13, and 25 to include the requirements of canceled claims 2, 14, and 26.

Applicants amended claims 3, 4 to clarify the antecedent basis of an element.

Applicants amended claims 5, 7, 9, 11, 12, 17, 19, 21, 23, 24, 29, 31, 33, 35, and 36 to include the requirements of base and intervening claims.

Applicants submit that these amendments place the pending claims 1, 3-13, 15-25, and 27-36 and case in condition for allowance. Applicants submit herewith the fee for the claim amendments. Nonetheless, should any additional fees be required, please charge Deposit Account No. 09-0447.

The attorney of record invites the Examiner to contact him at (310) 583-7977 if the Examiner believes such contact would advance the prosecution of the case.

Dated: October 11, 2004

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